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1. CONTRARY TO REPORT IN REF A, AGERPRESS DID NOT PUBLISH JAROSZEWCZ SPEECH IN ENGLISH OR ROMANIAN. HOWEVER WE HAVE OBTAINED COPY OF SPEECH PUBLISHED IN RUSSIAN AND ISSUED BY PRESS BUREAU OF CMEA. COPY BEING POUCED TO WARSAW. IN INTERIM WE HAVE BRIEFLY SUMMARIZED SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS OF ADDRESS FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

2. SPEECH SUMMARY.
A. CMEA TRADE - IN 1977 POLAND'S TRADE WITH MEMBERS TOTATED 10.7 BILLION CONVERTIBLE RUBLES; AN INCREASE OF 14.4 PERCENT OVER 1976. CORRESPONDING TRADE FOR 1978 IS EXPECTED TO GROW BY 14 PERCENT.

B. SPECIAL LONG TERM PROGRAMS OF COOPERATION

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(SPLTC'S). JAROSZEWCZ ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSED SPLTC'S FOR FUEL, ENERGY AND RAW MATERIALS PROPOSED AND LATER ADOPTED BY DELEGATES. HE LABELED THIS TYPE OF COOPERATION AS VITAL FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF EACH CMEA STATE. HE ADDED HOWEVER THAT IMPLEMENTATION OF SPLTC'S WOULD NOT COVER POLAND'S SHORT OR LONG TERM DEMANDS

FOR NATURAL GAS, PETROLEUM, WOOD AND COTTON. JAROSZEWCZ STATED THAT POLAND HAS ADOPTED CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR OIL AND GAS USE AND WAS EXERTING LARGE EFFORTS ON EXPANDING OIL REFINING CAPACITY AND ACHIEVING COAL GASIFICATION. SERIOUS PROBLEMS CONCERNING MEETING INCREASING DEMAND FOR IRON ORE WAS ALSO MENTIONED.

C. CMEA'S PROBLEMS.

ACCORDING TO JAROSZEWCZ, MAJOR ISSUE WHICH WILL BEAR DECISIVE INFLUENCE ON SUCCESS OF CMEA COOPERATION IS RESOLUTION OF PROBLEM RELATED TO CURRENCY-FINANCING RELATIONS AMONG MEMBERS WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

3. COMMENT: JAROSZEWCZ'S TONE WAS GENERALLY POSITIVE IN TERMS OF ENCOURAGING EXPANSION OF CMEA ACTIVITIES. WE WERE PARTICULARLY STRUCK BY REPEATED REFERENCES TO POSITIVE EFFORTS B OF USSR EVEN TO EXTENT OF INCLUDING QUOTE FROM BREZHNEV. END COMMENT.

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